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NEWS RELEASE

Gustavo Morales-Ortiz, a/k/a “Gustavo Morales,” was charged today in a four-count superseding indictment¹ with drugs and weapons offenses, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. The indictment charges Morales-Ortiz with one count of possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine, possession with intent to distribute cocaine, possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, and possession of a firearm by an illegal alien, on November 5, 2010.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Gustavo Morales-Ortiz	Reading, Pennsylvania	51

If convicted Morales-Ortiz faces a statutory maximum sentence of life imprisonment, with a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years’ imprisonment, a mandatory term of five years’ supervised release, up to lifetime supervised release, a fine of \$11.5 million, and a special assessment of \$400.

The case was investigated by U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) Homeland Security Investigations (“HSI”) and the Berks County Narcotics Task Force, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sozi P. Tulante.

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